

LIST OF CURRENT CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method for executing a money deposit transaction, in which an operator deposits bank notes (BN) in an apparatus (1) for executing the money deposit transaction, ~~with~~ comprising the following steps:

- [[-]] inserting the bank notes (BN) to be deposited into an input pocket (3) of the apparatus,
- [[-]] checking the inserted bank notes by a checking device (5) of the apparatus at least as to the state of the bank notes and a fitness for circulation resulting therefrom,
- [[-]] transporting at least parts of the bank notes, which were recognized as not fit for circulation by the checking device (5), into a storage pocket (8) of the apparatus not accessible by ~~for~~ the operator during the ongoing money transaction,
- [[-]] transporting at least parts of the bank notes, which were recognized as fit for circulation by the checking device (5), into a storage pocket (7) of the apparatus freely accessible by ~~for~~ the operator during the ongoing money transaction,
- [[-]] subsequently transporting the bank notes located in the not accessible storage pocket (8) into a bank note cassette (10) not accessible by ~~for~~ the operator.

2. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ at the beginning of the money deposit transaction criteria are predetermined for the bank notes that are to be transported into either or both the freely accessible storage pocket (7) ~~and/or~~ and the not accessible storage pocket (8).

3. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 2, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the criteria ~~each~~ relate to one or more of an ~~at least one~~ amount, and/or ~~and a~~ one number, a ~~and/or one~~ currency, and a ~~and/or one~~ denomination of the bank notes.

4. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 2, wherein ~~or 3, characterized in that~~ the criteria are predetermined by the operator by means of a display and input unit ~~(9)~~.

5. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 2, wherein ~~or 3, characterized in that~~ the criteria are predetermined by one or more cash desks ~~a cash desk or a plurality of cash desks~~, from which the deposited bank notes have come.

6. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~any of the above claims, characterized in that~~ criteria used by the checking device (5) for checking the bank notes as to their state are changeable.

7. (Currently Amended) The method according to claim 1, wherein ~~any of the above claims, characterized in that~~ bank notes (BN) not recognized by the checking device (5) are dispensed into a further, freely accessible storage pocket (6).

8. (Currently Amended) An apparatus ~~(1)~~ for executing a money deposit transaction, namely for depositing bank notes (BN), comprising with:

- [[-]] an input pocket ~~(3)~~ accessible during the ongoing money deposit transaction, for inserting bank notes to be deposited,
- [[-]] a checking device ~~(5), for checking the~~ arranged to check bank notes inserted into the input pocket ~~(3)~~ at least as to the state of the bank notes and a fitness for circulation resulting therefrom,
- [[-]] a storage pocket ~~(8)~~ not accessible during the ongoing money deposit transaction,
- [[-]] a storage pocket ~~(7)~~ freely accessible during the ongoing money deposit transaction,
- [[-]] a not accessible bank note cassette ~~(10)~~,
- [[-]] and a transport system arranged to transport ~~(4) for transporting~~ the bank notes from the input pocket ~~(3)~~ to the checking device (5), from the checking device (5) to the freely accessible storage pocket ~~(7)~~, the not

accessible storage pocket (8), and from this into the bank note cassette (10),

~~characterized in that~~ wherein:

[[-]] the checking device is arranged to check (5) ~~checks~~ the bank notes inserted into the input pocket (3) at least as to their fitness for circulation; [[,]] ~~that~~

[[-]] and further comprising: the apparatus has a control unit (11), arranged to actuate ~~which actuates~~ the transport system (4) in such a way [[,]] that bank notes not fit for circulation at least partially are transported into the not accessible storage pocket (8), and ~~whereas~~ bank notes fit for circulation at least partially are transported into the freely accessible storage pocket (7).

9. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, comprising ~~characterized in that the apparatus has~~ a display and input unit (9), for the input of criteria for the transportation of the bank notes either or both fit for circulation and ~~and/or~~ not fit for circulation into either or both the freely accessible storage pocket (7) ~~and/or~~ and the not accessible storage pocket (8).

10. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein ~~characterized in that~~ the apparatus is connected with at least one cash desk [[,]] which determines criteria for either or both the transportation of the bank notes fit for circulation ~~and/or~~ and not fit for circulation into either or both the freely accessible storage pocket (7) ~~and/or~~ and the not accessible storage pocket (8).

11. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 9, wherein ~~or 10, characterized in that~~ the criteria ~~each~~ relate to one or more of an ~~at least one~~ amount, a ~~and/or one~~ number, a ~~and/or one~~ currency ~~and/or one~~ and a denomination of the bank notes.

12. (Currently Amended) The apparatus method according to claim 8, wherein ~~any of claims 8 to 11, characterized in that~~ the criteria used by the checking device (5) for checking the bank notes as to their state are changeable.

13. (Currently Amended) The apparatus according to claim 8, wherein ~~any of claims 8 to 12, characterized in that~~ the transport system (4) ~~transports~~ is arranged to transport not recognized bank notes (BN), under the control of the control unit (11), into a further, freely accessible storage pocket (6).